

(b) The Act of July 1, 1944 (58 Stat. 682), as amended, is further amended by renumbering title VII (as in effect prior to the enactment of this Act) as title VIII, and by renumbering sections 701 through 714 (as in effect prior to the enactment of this Act), and references thereto, as sections 801 through 814, respectively.

Approved July 30, 1956.

60 Stat. 1049; 62 Stat. 47.

Public Law 836

CHAPTER 780

AN ACT

To provide in certain additional cases for the granting of the status of regular substitute in the postal field service.

July 30, 1956
[S. 3592]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the appointment of each employee of the Post Office Department who—

Postal employ-
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Career appoint-
ments.

(1) on the effective date of this Act and on the date of application prescribed in this section is on the rolls under an indefinite or temporary appointment in a position in the competitive civil service for which the salary is fixed by the Postal Field Service Compensation Act of 1955 (Public Law 68, Eighty-fourth Congress);

69 Stat. 88.
39 USC 951 note.

(2) during each of the three consecutive years ending on the date of his application, has been paid for not less than seven hundred hours of satisfactory work in a position or positions for which the salary is fixed by said Act; and

(3) meets such noncompetitive examination standards as the United States Civil Service Commission shall prescribe with respect to the position held at the time he makes application; shall, upon application by such employee made within one year after the effective date of this Act to the Postmaster General, or to such officials as he may designate, and upon recommendation by the Postmaster General or his designated representative, be converted to a career appointment subject to applicable law.

SEC. 2. Any person who would meet the conditions of section 1 except for absence in the Armed Forces of the United States on the effective date of this Act and is reemployed in the postal field service in accordance with United States Civil Service Commission regulations, shall, upon application made within one year of reemployment, have his former appointment converted in accordance with this Act.

Absence in Armed
Forces.

SEC. 3. This Act shall not apply to positions of rural carrier and postmaster.

Non applicabil-
ity.

SEC. 4. The United States Civil Service Commission is hereby authorized and directed to promulgate regulations to carry out the provisions of this Act.

Regulations.

SEC. 5. This Act shall take effect on the ninetieth day following the date of its enactment.

Effective date.

Approved July 30, 1956.

Public Law 837

CHAPTER 781

AN ACT

To authorize the Secretary of the Interior to charge for special services to purchasers of timber from Indian lands.

July 30, 1956
[S. 3926]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Secretary of the Interior is authorized to charge purchasers of timber on Indian

Timber on Indian
lands.
* Service charges.

lands that are held by the United States in trust, or that are subject to restrictions against alienation or encumbrance imposed by the United States, for special services requested by the purchasers in connection with scaling, timber marking, or other activities under the contract of purchase that are in addition to the services otherwise provided by the Secretary, and the proceeds derived therefrom shall be deposited to the credit of the appropriation from which the special services were or will be provided.

Approved July 30, 1956.

Public Law 838

CHAPTER 782

AN ACT

July 30, 1956
[H. R. 5256]

To provide for the redemption by the Post Office Department of certain unsold Federal migratory-bird hunting stamps, and to clarify the requirements with respect to the age of hunters who must possess Federal migratory-bird hunting stamps.

Migratory water-
fowl hunting stamp.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 1 of the Migratory Bird Hunting Stamp Act of March 16, 1934, as amended by section 1 of the Act of June 15, 1935 (49 Stat. 378; 16 U. S. C., 1952 edition, sec. 718a), is hereby amended by striking out the words "no person over sixteen years of age", and by inserting in lieu thereof the words "no person who has attained the age of sixteen years".

Expiration; re-
demption.

SEC. 2. The last two sentences of section 2 of said Act of March 16, 1934, as amended by section 2 of said Act of June 15, 1935 (49 Stat. 379; 16 U. S. C., 1952 edition, sec. 718b), are hereby amended so as to read as follows: "Each such stamp shall expire and be void after the thirtieth day of June next succeeding its issuance. The Postmaster General, pursuant to regulations to be prescribed by him, shall provide for the redemption, on or before the thirtieth day of June of each fiscal year, of blocks composed of two or more attached unused stamps issued for such year that were sold on consignment to retail dealers for resale to their customers and that have not been resold by such dealers. As used in this section, the term 'retail dealers' means persons regularly engaged in the business of retailing hunting or fishing equipment, and persons duly authorized to act as agents of a State or political subdivision thereof for the sale of State or county hunting or fishing licenses."

Collectors' sup-
ply.

SEC. 3. (a) Hereafter such quantity of migratory-bird hunting stamps, not sold at the end of the fiscal year for which issued, as determined by the Postmaster General to be (1) required to supply the market for sale to collectors, and (2) in suitable condition for such sale to collectors, shall be turned over to the Philatelic Agency and therein placed on sale. Any surplus stock of such migratory-bird hunting stamps may be destroyed in such manner as the Postmaster General shall direct.

Destruction of
surplus.

(b) The fourth sentence of section 2 of the Act of March 16, 1934, as amended (48 Stat. 451; 16 U. S. C., sec. 718b), is hereby further amended to read as follows: "Such stamps shall be usable as migratory-bird hunting stamps only during the fiscal year for which issued."

Repeal.

(c) The first and second provisos in the paragraph under the heading "Migratory Bird Conservation Fund" in the Act of June 28, 1941 (55 Stat. 356; 16 U. S. C., sec. 718i) are hereby repealed."

Approved July 30, 1956.